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Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

I am in receipt of your letter of 16 June 1950 requesting my comments on the priority program recommended by the JIGSAW Committee.

I am pleased with the progress made by the JIGSAW Committee, as reflected in its recommended priority program, and I have issued instructions to my organization to undertake, as a matter of priority, the production of the projects listed within the field of our responsibility.

Sincerely yours,

W. Park Armstrong, Jr.
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Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter,
Director of Central Intelligence,
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MEMORANDUM FOR: SPECIAL ASSISTANT, INTELLIGENCE, DEPARTMENT
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THE ARMY
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SUBJECT: The JIGSAW Committee's Recommended Priority
Program for Intelligence Production on Inter-
national Communism

ENCLOSURE: Draft Framework and Fields of Investigation for
an Overall Production Plan of National Intelli-
gence on International Communism (Tab A)

JIGSAW's Recommended Priority Program (Tab B)

1. As you know, the Interdepartmental Intelligence Committee for International Communism (JIGSAW) is functioning under an Intelligence Advisory Committee agreement negotiated in May 1949. Since its initial meeting on 28 June 1949, the JIGSAW Committee has made modest progress in planning and coordinating the production of intelligence on international communism.

2. The problems of duplication and overlap in production, and of exchange of information, are being met by a detailed survey of production, and by an agreement for continuing interchange of data and programs. In addition, a subcommittee of JIGSAW meets frequently to discuss related matters. In regard to intelligence production, the JIGSAW Committee has drawn up a recommended priority program (attached as Tab B), composed of ten projects which are believed to touch upon the most urgent requirements of the U. S. Government in this field. This priority program was established after an examination of some one hundred proposals which, in turn, were based upon a draft framework submitted by a subcommittee of JIGSAW, (Attached as Tab A).

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3. Because of the necessity for the early production of these ten priority projects, it is requested you review Tab B with a view toward having your agency undertake, as a matter of priority, production of such of the projects listed as fall within your field of responsibility.

4. Your comments on the recommended priority program in Tab B are requested at a very early date.

Signed

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Director of Central
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